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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request;

Integrated Public Alert and Warning Systems (IPAWS) Inventory

[Docket ID: FEMA-2014-0027; OMB No. 1660-0106]

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on a proposed revision of a currently approved information collection. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice seeks comments concerning the proposed revision of the information collection concerning public alert and warning systems at the Federal, State, territorial, Tribal and local levels of government which is necessary for the inventory and evaluation and assessment of existing public alert and warning resources and their integration with the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: To avoid duplicate submissions to the docket, please use only one of the following means to submit comments:

(1) Online. Submit comments at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) under Docket ID FEMA-2014-0027. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

(2) Mail. Submit written comments to Docket Manager, Office of Chief Counsel, DHS/FEMA, 500 C Street, SW., 8NE, Washington, DC 20472-3100.

(3) Facsimile. Submit comments to (703) 483-2999.

All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket ID.

Regardless of the method used for submitting comments or material, all submissions will be posted, without change, to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at

<http://www.regulations.gov>, and will include any personal information you provide.

Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to read the Privacy Act notice that is available via the link in the footer of [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Wade Witmer, Deputy Director, National Continuity Program IPAWS Division, FEMA, (202) 646-2523 for additional information. You may contact the Records Management Division for copies of the proposed collection of information at, Director, Records Management Division, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472-3100, facsimile number

(202) 212-4701 or email address: [FEMA-Information-Collections-Management@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-Information-Collections-Management@fema.dhs.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Presidential Executive Order 13407 establishes the policy for an effective, reliable, integrated, flexible, and comprehensive system to alert and warn the American people in situations of war, terrorist attack, natural disaster, or other hazards to public safety and wellbeing. The Executive Order requires that DHS establish an inventory of public alert and warning resources, capabilities, and the degree of integration at the Federal, State, territorial, Tribal, and local levels of government. The IPAWS implements the requirements of the Executive Order. The information collected

has, and will continue to consist of the public alert and warning systems, as well as the communication systems being used for collaboration and situational awareness at the Local Emergency Operations Center (EOC) level and higher. This information will help FEMA identify the technologies currently in use or desired for inclusion into IPAWS.

Collection of Information

Title: Integrated Public Alert and Warning Systems (IPAWS) Inventory.

Type of Information Collection: Revision of a currently approved collection.

OMB Number: 1660-0106.

FEMA Forms: FEMA Form 142-1-1 IPAWS Inventory.

Abstract: FEMA will be conducting an inventory, evaluation and assessment of the capabilities of Federal, State, territorial, Tribal, and local government alert and warning systems. The IPAWS Inventory and Evaluation Survey collects data to facilitate the integration of public alert and warning systems. It also reduces Federal planning costs by leveraging existing State systems.

Affected Public: State, local, or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 3,200.

Number of Responses: 3,200.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 6,400.

Estimated Cost: There are no recordkeeping, capital, start-up or maintenance costs associated with this information collection.

Comments

Comments may be submitted as indicated in the ADDRESSES caption above.

Comments are solicited to (a) evaluate whether the proposed data collection is necessary

for the proper performance of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Dated: September 17, 2014.

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